company, and that thereafter said bridge shall be taken, held and

perpetuated as a free public bridge between said counties.

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That any person having any right of action against said county commissioners for or on account of said bridge may sue either board of commissioners as he may elect, and for any recovery in any such suit the commissioners of the other county shall be liable to contribute in proportion to its ownership in said bridge.

Suits.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted, That the county commissioners of Kent county and of Queen Anne's county a majority of each concurring, shall have full power and authority to make reasonable rules and regulations for the use of said bridge by the public, and for the protection of said bridge and other property belonging thereto or therewith, and to enforce the observance thereof by imposing upon the party violating the same, any reasonable fine not exceeding ten dollars for any violation thereof, which fines shall be collected as small debts are now collected, and shall be recovered in the name of the county commissioners of said counties before any justice of the peace of either of said counties in which the party violating such rules and regulations shall be found, and on failure or refusal to pay and inability to collect by legal process, the party so fined shall be committed to the county jail of the county for a period not exceeding ten days in the same manner as commitments are made for fines imposed by the circuit courts of this State on conviction for misdemeanor, and the justice of the peace shall make this a part of his judgment, "and said fines shall be applied to the keeping of said bridge in repair."

Fines.

Sec. 6. And be it enacted, That the deed from said Chester bridge company to said county commissioners of Kent county and Record. of Queen Anne's county shall be recorded in both of said counties.

SEC 7. And be it enacted, That the levies under this act and the act to which this is supplementary shall not, nor shall any part thereof be paid or be payable to the town commissioners of Chestertown, and that section seventy-one, of article thirteen, of the Code of Public Local Laws, title "Kent county," sub-title "Chestertown," shall not apply to nor affect any levies for the purchase or repair of said bridge.

Levies.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted, That all parts of the act to which this is a supplement which are inconsistent with this act, and only such parts thereof, and no other are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

SEC. 9. And be it enacted, That upon the completion of said purchase and sale, and the execution and delivery of said deed, Liability. said Chester bridge company shall be released from all liability for or on account of said bridge.

SEC. 10. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect from Effective. the date of its passage.

Approved March 14, 1800.